#### WORKING ON HIS MESSAGE

THE PRESIDENT DEVOTING HIMSELF TO HIS ANNUAL LETTER.

He is Writing it Himself Without any Assistance-The Interruption by Visitors-The Fight for the Chairmanship of the Committee on Ways and Means.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29. - The president is now hard at work upon his message. He devotes the best part of every afternoon to Its construction. He writes all his ewn messages. He began the practice when he was mayor of Buffalo, followed it up as governor and has adhered to it as president, He begins the work of the day promptly at 9 c'clock in the morning.

Col. Lamont is on hand to greet him. They start in with the daily mail of a voluminous bulk. Constant interruptions follow, hundreds of callers, from the man asking for a job to the cabinet minister or the governor of a state, are always ready to take up the president's time and interrupt his work. Many are turned away by the sagacity and diplomacy of the vigilant private secretary, but there are callers whom even Col. Lamont can not rebuff. They are distinguished leaders of the party from all ever the country who come to Washington for no other purpose than to shake the president by the haud, hope he is well and wish him luck.

In the middle of each week, each of the cabinet officers presents to the president a synopsis of his report. The president takes such in its turn, carefully digests it, and weighs each point with the greatest deliberation. His knowledge and experience as a lawyer aids him materially in this work. He is determined to see everything for himself, and takes nothing, even his most favored cabinet minister, for granted. He investigates every knotty subject with the greatest patience, and makes his deductions in his own way. In the afternoon he buckles down to his message and works at it until the dinner hour. Then he places it carefully away till the next afternoon. The president has not progressed so rapidly with the message as he had hoped.

Tariff and internal revenue problems have delayed him. The fight for the chairmanship of the sommittee on ways and means is daily besoming more interesting. It was thought at one time that the honor would fall on the experimenced and able S. S. Cox, of New York, who by his years of service for the party and the country would seem to be entitled to it. But two distinguished southerners are striving for the honor, Roger Q. Mills, of Texas, who is next in rotation on friend Henry Klemann last night, while the committee, and W. C. P. Breckinridge, of Kentucky, who is entering on his second

term. His experience favors Mr. Mills, who is a firm believer in Mr. Carlisle's tariff views. Mr. Mills is a radical free trader, and Mr.

Breckinridge is more conservative. A prominent member of congress in speaking of the probable tariff legislation at this session expressed himself in this wise last evening: "The tariff bill will be presented by the committee of ways and means under the greatest secrecy. This step, of necessity, must be taken to prevent the rush of manufacturers and representatives of the manufacturers to the capital to protect their respective interests. There is nothing settled, nothing can be settled until the appointed time. The views of all the leaders will then be obtained. The bill will be formulated then. A compromise measure of some sort will be the result. It will be a red hot winber in congress and don't you forget it."

dent to the President's Carriage WASHINGTON, Nov. 29. - While out driving behind the famous "seal browns" Sunday afternoon Mrs. Cleveland met with an accident which might have proved serious. The weather has been warm and damp of late, and the concrete roads were covered with a slimy ooze, making them nearly as slippery as ice. The White House horses are fat from high feeding and little exersise, and their shoes are worn smooth. While passing the Ebbitt house at a lively pace the off horse slipped and fell, dragging his mate down with him. The pole bent like a bow, and the front wheels left the For a minute it seemed as if ground. the carriage must be overturned and wreaked.

A dozen bystanders rushed to the horses' heads, but Burly Albert, the White House soachman, waved them aside, cracked his whip, leaned forward, and, seizing the reins hightly, literally lifted the animals to their feet. Mrs. Cleveland was accompanied by a lady friend and her maid. The lady friend rose as if to leap from the carriage and the maid screamed hysterically. The Erst lady in the land, however, sat quietly in her seat, and, aside from paling a trifle, did not exhibit the slightest indication of fear. As Albert touched up the browns and the carriage rolled off she smilingly bowed her thanks to those who had rushed to her resoue.

Will be Argued in January. WASHINGTON, Nov. 29 .- The last of the testimony in the case of George Rics against the Southern and Southwestern railroads, was taken before the interstate commerce sommission to-day. Two witnesses, C. G. Murray, general freight agent of the Missouri Pacific road, and Howard Page, the Louisville agent of the Standard Oil company, were examined. Nothing startling was developed by their evidence. Chairman Cooley then announced that the case would be taken up for argument on the loth of January next.

Minister to Liberta Resigns. Washington, Nov. 29.-Mr. Charles H. J. Taylor, minister of the United States to Liberia, has tendered his resignation.

Injured at a Fire.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Nov. 29.—Fire broke out in the extensive furniture factory belonging to William Guckert, on Cherry alley. Three men are reported dying, from jumping from the third story to the street. Louis Ehring and John Diedt jumped from the third floor window to the ground. Ehring is slightly injured. Diedt had both legs broken and is injured internally. He will die. William Schemple and two others, names unknown, are missing and are thought to be in the burning building. The fire originated in the boiler room from shavings igniting. The building and contents were totally destroyed and were valued at about \$45,000.

Crushed to Death. WILKESBARRE, Pa., Nov. 29. — By a heavy fall of rock and coal this morning in the Sugar Notch mine, Patrick Kinnahan

and Larry Culpin, miners, were crushed to death and their bodies terribly mutilated.

MOST IN COURT. The Court Room Thronged to Hear the

Anarchist Trial. New York, Nov. 29.—The trial of Johnson Most, the Anarchist, was resumed to-day. The court room was thronged and many women were present, but there was a noticeable diminution in the glare of red ribbons and flowers displayed. Frederick Harting, the first witness, tertified that he went into the saloon in the rear of which Most was making his speech and, attracted by curiosity, went into the meeting held there. He said Most did not use the violent language charged against him. He had never seen Most before and was not an An-archist, but might yet become one.

Herman Strelitz, a reporter, formerly on the Leader, and now on the Volks Zeitung, testified that he heard Most's speech, and that he began it with "Fellow citizens," not "Brother Anarchists," as was alleged. He said Most threatened no immediate revenge, but accused Grinnell and Gary as the murderers of the Chicago Anarchists.

He also accused Powderly and George of their murder for turning the Knights of Labor from the Anarchists. The witness said Most spoke in a sorrowful tone. On cross examination, the witness said he was a Socialist, not an Anarchist. He did not believe when he swore on the bible that a philosophical God bothered with such things as this trial. He thought the judge punished for perjury and not a God.

National League of Polo. Boston, Nov. 29. - Messrs. James Mutrie, representing the New York Polo club, and Steve Brady, of the Brooklyn Polo club, arrived in this city this morning. They represented the Metropolitan Polo league of New York, and are here to confer with the officers of the local league as well as to obain players for their own teams. It is the ntention to form a National league to comprise New York, Philadelphia, Newark, Jersey City, Brooklyn, New Haven, Hartford, Boston, New Bradford and Pawtucket.

Don't Believe the Report. NEW YORK, Nov. 29.-Persons in this city who are especially well informed concerning Africa and Stafiley's expedition, say that last night's dispatch reporting a failure of Tippoo Tib to supply stores, and the death of some of Stanley's men by starvation, is nonsense. Tippoo Tib was not expected to send stores to Yambuya, and at last authentic accounts Stanley was amply supplied with provisions, and was traveling through a country where there was plenty of cassava, which is a food staple, and also plenty of meat to be had.

Accidentally Shot.

HOBOKEN, N. J., Nov. 29 .- Dr. A. W. Herzog accidentally shot and killed his practicing in Franklin's shooting gailery. The tragedy was due to Klemann's carelessness in stepping in front of Dr. Herzog's

The Weather.

Washington, Nov. 29. - Indications-Fair weather, colder, followed by rising temperature, light to fresh westerly winds, becoming variable.

FINANCE AND COMMERCE.

Quotations of the Money, Stock, Produce and Cattle Market for Nov. 28,

New York-Money 6 per cent. Exchange steady. Governments firm.

Currency sixes, 12114 bid; four coupons, 12814; four-and-a-half, 10834 bid. The stock market opened dull, but firm, at Saturday's closing, but after the first few dealings prices weakened, and on some selling of "long" stock the whole list went steadily down throughout the morning. At noon the

decline had ranged from 1-8 to 1 per cent. The Bur & Quincy ... 128
Central Pacific ... 334
C., C., C. & 1 ... 52
Dei & Hudson ... 1654
Del, Lac & W ... 133 Michigan Central .. 92 Missouri Pacific...9014 N. Y. Central ... 1085 Northwestern ... 11014 do preferred ... 1435 Ohio & Miss ... 255 Pacific Mail ... 379 

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3 50. WHEAT-No. 3 red, 78279c; No. 2, 80142 Sic. CORN-No. 3 mixed, 52s; No. 2 mixed, 50@4014c. OA18—No. 3 mixed, 31@3114c; No. 2 mixed, 32@424c; No. 3 white, 33@4c. PORK—Family, \$14 50@14 75; regular, \$13 50

Ol3 75.

LARD—Kettle, 74@736c.

POULTRY—Common chickens, \$1 75@2 00
per dozen; fair to prime, \$2.25@2 35.

WOOL—Unwashed fine merina, 17@18c; onefourth blood combing, 23@24c; medium del aine
and clothing, 23@24c; braid, 18@19c; medium
combing, 33@24c; fleece washed fine merina X
and XX, 25@27c; medium clothing, 23@30c; delaine fleece, 28@30c. 11AY—No. I timothy, \$13 00 243 50; No. 2, \$11 50@12 30; mixed, 10 00@11 00; prairie, \$8 00@0 00; wheat, oats and rye straw, \$5 50@

7 00.
CATTLE—Good to choice butchers, \$300\pi 375
fair, \$2 00\pi 275; common, \$1 00\pi 175; stockers
and feeders, \$2 50\pi 60; yearlings and calves,
\$2 00\pi 30.
HOGS—Select butchers, \$5 20\pi 55; fair to
good packing, \$4 90\pi 30; fair to good light
\$4 50\pi 48; common, \$4 00\pi 45; culls, \$3 00\pi
3 50.

SHEEP—Common to fair, \$2 25@3 00; good to choice, \$3 25@4 00; common to fair lambs, \$3 30@4 25; good to choice, \$4 50@5 25.

Boston Wool Market.

Receipts of wool during the past week have been a to bales domestic and as bales foreign. Sales, 1,871,40 lbs domestic and 321,000 lbs foreign. Quotations: Ohio XX and above & 2c, Ohio X sladinge, Ohio No. 1 356,36; Michigan X 30c, Michigan No. 1 356,36; Michigan X 30c, Michigan No. 1 356,36; Michigan & 30c, Michigan Po. 1 356,36; ine Ohio delaine 356,36; Michigan delaine, 3.5 & 30c, 1 cm merchantable Ohio 24 No. 1 combing wash isc; Kentucky three-eights blood combing 256,30c, Texas fine 12 mos. 186,22c, do six to eight months 200,23c, Texas med twelve months 256,30c, Texas fine 12 mos. 186,22c, do six to eight months 250,23c; Texas fall line, 186,23c; Texas fall medium. 200,22c; Georgia unwashed 30,23c, cultifornia northern spring free 256,37c, southern do 186,23c, California burry and defective 12,216c, free fall 186,23c, southern do 146,1c, East Oregon ordinary 186,23c, do choice 216,23c, Valley Oregon No. 1,256,23c; Territory fine 1.6,18c, do fine medium 216,23c, do coarse 246,23c, Kansas choice fine 256,23c, do med 236,23c, Montana fine to choice 236,23c, do average 216,23c, medium to choice 256,23c, do average 216,23c, medium to choice 256,23c, do average 216,23c, do low 20c, Maine supers 42,64c, eastern A supers 356,37c, B lambs 346,33c, western lambs 276,33c, extra 28,33c, Montavideo 256,23c, Australian eross-bred 356,33c, do combing 356,23s, do clothing 3,233c, Cape 254,23c. Boston Wool Market.

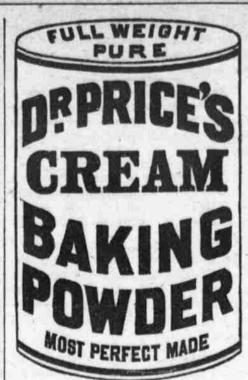
CATTLE—Receipts; prime, \$4 5064 80; fair to good, \$3 7064 25; common, \$3 0063 50; feeders, \$3 2563 75; stockers, \$2 5063 00; receipts, 5,131; shipments, 717.

HOGS—Firm, receipts, 2,200; shipments, 4,900; Philadelphias, \$5 2065 50; Yorkers, \$4 90 65 common to fair, \$4 8064 90.

SHEEP—Active, receipts, 2,400; shipments, 2,000; prime, \$4 1064 30; fair to good, \$3 506 3 75; common, \$1 0062 00.

New York. WHEAT—No. 1 state red, 93@93c; No. 2 red winter, 570; January, 883cc.
CORN—Mixed, 583cc; January, 583cc.
OATS—No. 1 white, 40c; No. 2, 38cc. 7c.
CATTLE—\$3 35cc. 15 per 100 pounds live

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